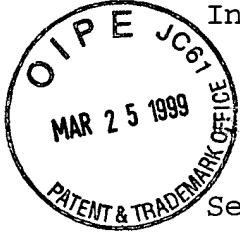


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Sir:

This is a Response to the Office Action dated March 3, 1999 having a statutory period for response set to expire on April 3, 1999. In response to the restriction requirement contained in the Office Action, Applicants hereby elect Invention I. Claims 1-22 are readable on Invention I.

Favorable consideration and allowance of claims 1-22 is requested. Also being filed concurrently with this Amendment is an Information Disclosure Statement. Should any issues remain, the Examiner is asked to contact the undersigned by telephone.

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